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1. USREP SHOULD BE GUIDED BY FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FOR GATT COUNCIL MEETING (REFTEL) NOVEMBER 29.

2. ACCESSION OF PARAGUAY. USREP SHOULD SUPPORT FORMATION OF WP FOR DISCUSSION OF PARAGUAYAN MEMBERSHIP IN GATT.

3. CANADA -- ARTICLE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS WITH EC. WE CONCUR IN MISSION'S RECOMMENDATION THAT US SUPPORT, ON SAME BASIS AS BEFORE, FORMATION OF PANEL REQUESTED BY CANADA CONCERNING ARTICLE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS WITH EC AND AGREE THAT THIS NECESSITATES SUPPORT OF EXTENSION OF ARTICLE 28:3 TIME LIMIT.

4. CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON MEAT. USREP SHOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ESTABLISHMENT OF GROUP AS BEFORE.

5. JAPAN MEAT RESTRICTIONS. USREP SHOULD AVOID SINGLING OUT JAPANESE BY RESTATING US POSITION ON MEAT RESTRICTIONS IN GENERAL, WHICH IS THAT WE DEPLORE UNILATERAL ACTIONS TAKEN BY A NUMBER OF IMPORTING COUNTRIES TO PROTECT THEIR LIVESTOCK INDUSTRIES, THAT THESE ACTIONS PUT US IN INCREASINGLY UNTENABLE POSITION AS ONLY REMAINING LARGE VIRTUALLY

OPEN MARKET FOR MEAT, AND THAT THEY RISK INDUCING A NEGATIVE REACTION BY MAJOR MEAT PRODUCERS WHICH COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS MEAT SHORTAGE IN FUTURE. US URGES THOSE COUNTRIES CURRENTLY RESTRICTING MEAT IMPORTS TO RESUME A REASONABLE LEVEL OF IMPORTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. RE PROPOSED WP, DEPARTMENT AGREES US SHOULD HAVE GOOD RATIONALE FROM AUSTRALIANS FOR PERSISTING WITH REQUEST IN FACE OF JAPANESE NOTIFICATION. FAILURE OF JAPAN TO SUPPORT CONSULTATIVE MEAT GROUP WOULD WARRANT US SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED AUSTRALIAN REQUEST. INGERSOLL

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